



Proclamation In Memoriam

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 2d Cavalry Regiment, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli was known to fellow soldiers as an outstanding leader, a person with a kind heart, a motivated individual and someone who loved his job as an Unmanned Aerial System Operations Officer Platoon Leader, providing "eyes in the sky" for soldiers on the ground; and

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli received many awards and decorations including the Bronze Star Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals and the Combat Action Badge; and

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli is survived by his wife, Kristie Balli; his stepdaughters, Momilani Morales and Desiare Abrera; and stepson, Michael Donios;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI**, Lt. Governor of the State of Hawai'i, extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the Balli 'ohana on the passing of a husband, father and friend; and as a mark of respect for the memory of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli, hereby order, by the authority vested in us by the Constitution and laws of the State of Hawai'i, that the National Flag and Hawai'i State Flag be flown at half-staff at all state offices and agencies as well as the Hawai'i National Guard from sunrise to sunset on February 7, 2014.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifth day of February 2014.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i